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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2007–08 REGULAR SESSION

Assembly Joint Resolution

No. 37

Introduced by Assembly Member Lieu

August 20, 2007

Assembly Joint Resolution No. 37—Relative to the Santa Monica General Aviation Airport.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AJR 37, as amended, Lieu. Santa Monica General Aviation Airport.

This measure would respectfully memorialize the Federal Aviation Administration to engage in a collaborative process to review flight operations at the Santa Monica General Aviation Airport, and *examine* the role that the airport plays in the regional *aviation* transportation system.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, The Santa Monica General Aviation Airport (SMO)
- 2 is situated on the border separating the Cities of Santa Monica and
- 3 Los Angeles; and
- 4 WHEREAS, SMO is one of the most residentially encroached
- 5 airports in the entire nation; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Jet operations at SMO have increased from less
- 7 than 2,000 in 1983 to more than 18,500 this year; and

1 WHEREAS, Flight operations at SMO are often hindered or
2 delayed by the proximity of the airport to the Los Angeles
3 International Airport; and

4 WHEREAS, The safety of the residents who live in proximity
5 to the airport, both in Santa Monica and Los Angeles, is a prime
6 concern of the officials who represent the area at the various levels
7 of government; and

8 WHEREAS, The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has
9 primary jurisdiction over all aspects of air travel in the United
10 States; and

11 WHEREAS, The FAA is currently reviewing the safety of flight
12 operations at SMO; now, therefore, be it

13 *Resolved by the Assembly and the Senate of the State of*
14 *California, jointly,* That the Legislature respectfully memorializes
15 the FAA to engage in a collaborative process to review flight
16 operations at SMO, and *examine* the role that SMO plays in the
17 regional *aviation* transportation system; and be it further

18 *Resolved,* That the Legislature encourages the FAA to engage
19 in an open and transparent process that includes input from the
20 Cities of Santa Monica and Los Angeles, appropriate local and
21 state elected officials, and affected community organizations; and
22 be it further

23 *Resolved,* That the Legislature encourages the FAA to honor
24 the decision of the City of Santa Monica to increase safety
25 precautions at SMO and restrict the use of class C and D aircrafts
26 at SMO; and be it further

27 *Resolved,* That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
28 of this resolution to the Administrator of the FAA, to the United
29 States Secretary of Transportation, and to each Senator and
30 Representative from California in the Congress of the United
31 States.